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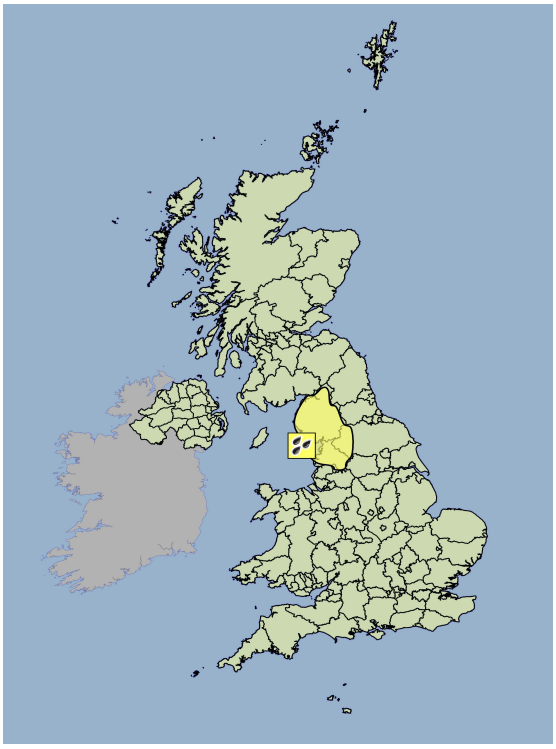

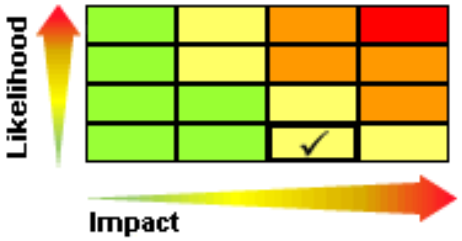

Chief Forecasters Assessment
Exceptionally mild and moist air will arrive across the UK through Friday from the southwest. This will remain over the country for much of Saturday before erratically clearing east early Sunday morning. The combination of the mild, moist air and some strong winds will lead to some heavy rain at times which could be particularly persistent over areas of high ground.

Rainfall totals of 20 mm are likely quite widely, with a chance of 60-80 mm over the most exposed sites. There is currently a lot of uncertainty over how quickly this air mass will clear to fresher conditions from the west, leading to large uncertainties over these totals. These rainfall amounts would not usually be of concern but following recent severe flooding, these areas are more responsive to relatively small amounts of rain.

This alert will be updated again in the coming days as recovery work proceeds and the impact assessment is revisited in the light of new information.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Rain**

Valid from **00:15 on Sat, 19th Dec 2015** until **09:00 on Sun, 20th Dec 2015**

A further period of rain, at times persistent and heavy, is expected to affect parts of northwest England during Saturday and at first on Sunday, with the largest totals accumulating on areas of high ground.

There is a very low likelihood that this may lead to renewed disruption from flooding in some recently affected areas.

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